Budget Act of 1988/89 CALIFORNIA CODES HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 120800-120871

**120840**. The Department of Mental Health shall establish an AIDS mental health project, as described in this section.

- (a) The program should include, but need not be limited to, the following:
- (1) The conduct of a statewide needs assessment of AIDS-related mental health issues.
- (2) The conduct of education and training for mental health professionals throughout the state.
- (3) The conduct, through the Office of Promotion, of a media campaign on such issues as the use of support groups, the relationship between stress and the immune system, and dealing with grief.
- (b) The Department of Mental Health shall coordinate projects and resources directly with the department.
- (c) The Director of the Department of Mental Health may appoint advisory groups for this project as needed.
- (d) Notwithstanding any provision of Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 10290) of Part 2 of Division 2 of the Public Contract Code, if the Director of Mental Health determines that it is in the best interest of the state to enter into a contract for the purposes specified in this section without competitive bids, then the director may, during the 1985-86 fiscal year, enter into a sole source contract for these purposes.